



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of : April 1, 2008  
L. B. Mummert, et al : Group Art No.: 2157  
Serial No. 09/692,596 : Examiner: Gregory Todd  
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD TO  
IMPROVE SERVICE IN  
A GROUP OF SERVERS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 1, 2007 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants had previously submitted a Notice of Appeal for this matter. Applicants hereby withdraw the Appeal and submit a Request for Continued Examination, a Petition for Extension of Time with fee, and the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2; and

**Remarks/Arguments** which begin on page 15.

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